COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF ATMOS ENERGY	
CORPORATION (ATMOS), THROUGH ITS DIVISION,	
WESTERN KENTUCKY GAS COMPANY OF)
OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY, FOR AN ORDER) CASE NO. 97-351
AUTHORIZING THE CREATION AND ISSUANCE OF)
1,500,000 SHARES OF COMMON STOCK THROUGH)
ITS DIRECT STOCK PURCHASE PLAN)

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos") through its division, Western Kentucky Gas Company ("Western"), shall file the original and five copies of the following information with the Commission no later than 14 days from the date of this Order, with a copy to all parties of record. Each copy of the data requested should be placed in a bound volume with each item tabbed. When a number of sheets are required for an item, each sheet should be appropriately indexed, for example, Item 1(a), Sheet 2 of 6. Include with each response the name of the witness who will be responsible for responding to questions relating to the information provided. Careful attention should be given to copied material to ensure that it is legible.

1. Are the provisions of the Direct Stock Purchase Plan ("Plan") referenced in the application the same as those contained in the Plan filed in Case No. 93-029¹ which was effective March 4, 1993?

Case No. 93-029, The Application of The Atmos Energy Corporation, Though its Division, Western Kentucky Gas Company of Owensboro, Kentucky, for an Order Authorizing the Creation, Issuance and Sale of 500,000 Shares of its Common Stock, Order dated March 8, 1993.

(a) Provide a copy of the currently effective Plan.

(b) Provide a narrative explanation of any differences, other than number of shares, from the Plan filed in 1993.

2. Reports filed pursuant to the Commission's Orders in Case Nos. 93-029 and 93-334² indicate that not all of the shares authorized have been issued. Why has Atmos requested authorization for additional shares at this time?

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 23rd day of October, 1997.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director

Case No. 93-334, Application of The Atmos Energy Corporation, Through its Division, Western Kentucky Gas Company of Owensboro, Kentucky, for an Order Authorizing the Creation, Issuance and Sale of 1,000,000 Shares of its Common Stock, Order dated October 26, 1993.